GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Money Spent on Research
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of funds of the Ministry being spent on research in various institutions in the country;

(b) the details of the funds out of the above total allocated funds earmarked specifically for research in Central Universities in the last three years;

(c) whether the Ministry has thought of an action plan to give emphasis on 'good research' in the ensuing years by way of supporting with funds to the research institutions and universities across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d): An amount of Rs. 962 Cr has been approved to be spent for research under the Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) and Uchhatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) schemes for two year period ending on 31st March 2018. Apart from this, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has spent a sum of Rs.503.26 crore in the last three years for promotion of research under the Special Assistance Programme (SAP) and the Major Research programme (MRP) schemes.
All the research projects are awarded after a careful selection so that only such projects which create new knowledge or products are funded. Further, there is no separate earmarking of funds for the Central Universities for research.